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Applicants: Boies et al.

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
PROVIDING DECENTRALIZED E-
COMMERCE

) Group Art Unit: 3624

) Examiner: Geoffrey R. Akers

) **RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**
) to the Final Office Action Mailed 07/5/03

) Client Docket No.: YOR9-2000-0265
) (Attorney Docket No.: I01.090)

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

1. ☒ Amendment/Response
 - a. ☒ After Final
2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-0150 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
 - a. ☐ claims in excess of those previously paid for pursuant to 37 CFR 1.16(c);

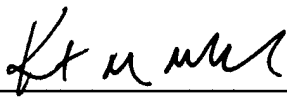
- b. ☐ independent claims in excess of those previous paid for pursuant to 37 CFR 1.16(b);
- c. ☐ a 1 month extension of time request pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a).
- d. ☐ Charge the fees indicated above and itemized below.
- e. ☒ Credit any overpayment.
- f. ☒ Charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.
3. ☒ Additional Enclosures: Acknowledgement postcard.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	No. Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	43	- 51	0	\$18.00	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	17	- 21	0	\$82.00	\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

Respectfully submitted,

September 15, 2003
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 15, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments into the above identified application and consideration of the following remarks to place the case in form for allowance or in better form for appeal.

Immediately following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, presented in the application. A status identifier is provided for every claim and the current text of every claim is displayed, unless the claim has been cancelled or not entered. Current amendments to the claims are shown in the detailed listing by strikethrough or double-brackets (for deletions) or underlining (for additions).